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## ABOUT TOWN MATTERS IN ARLINGTON.

All notices of concerts, lectures, entertainments, etc. to which an admission fee is charged or from which a revenue is to be derived, must be paid for by the line, at the advertised rate.

Sunday services at St. John's church, Academy street. Morning prayer and sermon, 10.30; Evening song and sermon, 7 o'clock.

A still alarm called the members of William Penn hose 3 to a small fire in the vicinity of the ice houses on Monday afternoon.

Miss Homer's adult dancing class meets this (Friday) evening, at 8 o'clock, in Associates Hall. The class also meets next Friday evening, Jan. 19.

Through its secretary and treasurer, Mr. Walter L. Hill, of Arlington, we learn that the Sportsman's Show, which closed on Monday evening at Mechanics Hall building, was a great success financially as well as otherwise.

Through the energetic efforts of the children connected with the Orthodox school and under the direction of Mrs. Arthur W. Wood, they have earned over ninety dollars at entertainments given by them. Thirty-six dollars were realized from the entertainment given on Tuesday evening in Town Hall.

At the Baptist church next Sunday the anthems will be: "Rejoice the heart of Thy servant," Southard; and "Send Out Thy Light," Gounod. After the sermon, Mrs. Blake will sing, by request, the grand Beethoven solo, "God's glory in Nature," and the choir will close with the Dresden Amen. Voluntary at 10.30; postlude, Fugue in C major, Bach.

At the Baptist church Sunday evening, at the 7 o'clock service, three questions will be discussed. First, "Will simply refraining from evil save or fit a person for eternal life," by Miss Lucinda Higgins; 2nd, "Why did the young man fail of eternal life," by John A. Easton; 3rd, "Would the young man have been enriched or made poor by following the commands of Christ," by E. Nelson Blake. All are invited to this service.

The social of the Clover Lend-and-Hand occurred Tuesday afternoon of this week. It met with Mrs. C. A. Dennett, of Mass. avenue, and was attended by thirty members of the club. The com-

mittee for the afternoon provided bridge and straight whist for the entertainment and at the conclusion prizes were awarded to Mrs. James A. Bailey, Jr., and Mrs. Rodney T. Hardy, as holders of the highest scores in the two games. Refreshments of ices, cake and coffee were served in the dining room. The ladies in charge of the afternoon were Mrs. C. A. Dennett, Mrs. J. W. Bailey, Mrs. Charles A. Hardy, Miss Elizabeth Colman.

Regular meeting of the Loyal Temperance Legion in the St. John's Parish House, Monday, Jan. 15, at 3.45, p. m.

Wednesday next, Jan. 17, the Bedford Club team bowls at Arlington club house in the Amateur Boston Pin League.

Arlington Boat Club is planning to give the second "Ladies' Night" of the season, at their club house on Wednesday, Jan. 24th.

Bethel Lodge I. O. O. F., No. 12, closed Concord Lodge of the same order on Thursday evening and had an evening of good fellowship.

Ida F. Butler Lodge of Rebekahs proposes to hold its installation in Odd Fellows' Hall, Arlington, on the evening of Monday, Jan. 15th.

"What Christ taught about money and its uses" is the topic of the Endeavor meeting of the Baptist church, at seven o'clock, in the chapel Sunday evening.

Miss Nellie Lockhart will lead the Endeavor meeting at Pleasant street church on Sunday evening at 7 o'clock. The topic is "What Christ taught about money and its uses."

J. F. Berton, the house painter and decorator, 8 Bedford street, has distributed among patrons and friends some convenient telephone card blanks and also exceptionally handsome calendars.

This (Friday) evening, Jan. 12th, the second club dance of the season will be given at Arlington Boat Club. All gentlemen not members of the club desiring to attend can secure tickets of the entertainment committee for usual fee of \$1.00.

The funeral of John J. Cadagan, who died Saturday, Jan. 6th, occurred Tuesday, at 8 a. m., from his late home 11 Schouler court. High mass of requiem was celebrated at St. Agnes church at 9 o'clock which was largely attended. The deceased was a member of Division 23, A. O. H.

Messrs. Frank E. Thompson and Freeman N. Young are reported as having a pleasant winter in Florida. They were accompanied by Mr. Fahey, of Cambridge, the expert automobile, and of course took their autos. Mrs. Young is spending the winter at the family residence 208 Pleasant street.

Monday evening the A. B. C. team in the Boston Pin League bowed with the Calumets of Winchester, winning the first string 483 to 460, tying the score at 452 in the second, and although beaten in the third 496 to 464, won in the play off and so secured the event though in the boys receive careful training in breathing, voice production and singing.

On Monday afternoon, January 22d, the Unitarian Woman's Alliance holds its monthly literary meeting in the parlor of the First Parish church. The ladies will be addressed by Mrs. E. H. Atherton, who will speak on "Alliance Work." Mrs. Atherton is the N. E. vice-president of the National Alliance. Please note the postponement of the date.

Miss Brackett, who has charge of the music of the Woman's Club, has planned an elaborate musical program for "Gentlemen's Night." The soloists include Mrs. J. M. Scully, Mrs. Lucy Tucker Blake, Mr. Saxon, the celebrated bar-

itone, and the Odell Orchestral Quartet. The cantata "Hesperus" will be sung by the Choral Class and the soloists mentioned: also, after the address, Jean Ingelow's poem, "The Shepherd Lady," will be sung, with solo by Mrs. Win. Marshall.

The Physical Culture and Choral classes of the Cantabrigia Club of Cambridge will give an entertainment on the evening of January 24, in Odd Fellows' Hall, North Cambridge. There will also be dancing from 10 to 12 o'clock. A novel feature will be the music which is to be given by a Pianista piano, furnished through the kindness of the Mendelssohn Music Co. of Boston.

Regular meeting of the Woman's Christian Temperance Union will be held Tuesday, Jan. 16, in the parlor of the First Baptist church, at three o'clock. Miss Caswell, of Boston, connected with the Willard Y. Settlement work, is to address the ladies. The several mission-societies in the town are cordially invited to be present, as well as all ladies interested in the Settlement work.

Miss Nellie W. Rood and Miss Charlotte O. Brooks, of Arlington, gave a luncheon Saturday evening at the home of Miss Saturay's sister in Dorchester. Covers were laid for twelve the table decorations being pink. During the evening the engagement of Miss Carolyn Louise Hilliard, daughter of R. Walter Hilliard, of Jason street, to Mr. George Asher Johnson, of Dorchester, was announced.

If a sufficient number of names are received by Jan. 17th, a class will be formed to meet Wednesday afternoon, under the leadership of Mrs. T. W. White, for the study of English prose writers of the 18th century. Fee \$2.00 for ten lessons. Any lady, whether belonging to the Woman's Club or not, may join this class. Those who have not already given their names to Mrs. Arthur Lawson or Miss Emily Tolman should do so on or before the above date.

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The regular meeting of the Boys' Chapter Club was held at the Parish House, Maple street, on Monday evening. After the usual games, the roll was called, 28 boy responding. A most interesting address, which held the close attention of the boys, was given by Mr. Kauffmann on his personal recollections of the War of the Rebellion. A hearty vote of thanks to the speaker was carried, and the meeting closed, as always, with the salute to the national flag.

The present and former members of the boys' choir at St. John's church have been organized into "The Choristers Club." The club is under the direction of Mr. Clifford Bradford, the choirmaster, and the boys meet on every Tuesday afternoon for instruction in basketry and wrought iron work, and will later take up repoussé and burnt leather and wood work. They hope thus to earn money for a summer camp fund. Besides the boys receive careful training in breathing, voice production and singing.

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The regular meeting of the "Mehr Licht Verrin" will be held on the evening of Tuesday, Jan. 16, at the home of Miss Gretchen Wyman, corner Mass. avenue and Wyman St. Members should also remember the lecture to be given this (Friday) evening in Cotting Hall by Mr. Scully, on "The Rhine Country."

The Centrals of Somerville clinched their lead in the Gilt Edge League, on Thursday evening at Arlington, in the game with A. B. C., though the first string ended in a tie, which, however, the Centrals secured in the roll off.

Faulkner of the visitors bowled an even 600. The totals were: Central, 899, 978; 860, - 237; Arlington, 899, 863, 859, - 2721. Brooks was the only A. B. C. man below the 500 mark and he had 482, but the other fellows were there also and by bigger figures.

A. B. C. team in the Amateur Bowling League finished last week at the end of the list, having won only four out of the sixteen games played, —just the reverse of the Central team heading the list. E. Puffer is still number two in the list of high averages with 182, and his brother, J. P., appears close by with 177. Brooks has a record of 170 and Durgin of 169. In the Boston Pin League the A. B. C. team appears to better advantage, being number two, having won 17 out of the 28 games bowled. Gray, Webb and Durgin have places in the high average list.

The Portland Press prints the following the sinner alluded to being a resident of Robbins road, Arlington:—"An operatic concert will be given at City Hall, Portland, in February, by Mrs. Teresa Forrest, assisted by Campanari, the famous baritone soloist, and Charles K. North, the well known flute player who accompanied Melba on her recent concert tours, and other artists. Mrs. Forrest is not so well known in Portland as she is elsewhere, but she is undoubtedly a singer of the highest rank. Of her Boston Transcript says:—"Mrs. Forrest, the talented American soprano, has a rich, clear, high voice, admirably suited to her florid style of compositions, which she sings in a charming and most finished style."

On Monday evening the Arlington Fife and Drum Corps visited Woburn, to play for the Sons of Veterans and Clubs, at their spacious quarters on Main street. A concert was given by the Corps from 8 to 9, after which a collation was served, followed by remarks from members of the Camp and Corps. All voted it a most enjoyable evening. On the homeward ride, the Corps was reenforced at Winchester by the A. B. C. bowling team and rooters, the music of the Corps, combined with the strenuous vocal accompaniment of the club men, made the trip all too short. The cigars, furnished by the A. B. C.'s, were pronounced by the D. C. "Boys" as O. K. Hope to meet again.

The officers of court Pride, F. of A., were installed Tuesday evening in Hibernian hall, on Chestnut St., by District Deputy D. J. Cronin. The officers installed were Patrick J. Hussey, CR; Michael J. Galvin, sub CR; Daniel W. Grannan, treas.; John F. Dacey, fin. sec.; Michael J. Roach, rec. sec.; Richard J. Kelly, SW; Thomas Lynch, JW; M. J. Zelch, SB; John McCarthy, JB, CR. Hussey presided over the entertainment part of the program and the speakers were District Deputy Cronin, William J. Mitchell, past CR, of William E. Russell court; past CR, Daniel M. Hooley of court Pride. Solos were rendered by Patrick Barry of William E. Russell court. The repasts of the various officers showed the court to be in a very prosperous condition and District Deputy Cronin paid the members of the court a great compliment by stating that their standing was first in all the courts of the order in the state.

The annual meeting of the Universalist Sunday school was held in the vestry of the church last Monday evening. The report of the different officers showed the school to be in fine condition. The school especially has made marked progress in the regularity of the officers, teachers and pupils in attendance. Those making a perfect record being: —E. W. Goodwin, Miss Higgins, Miss Russell, Miss Sarah Russell, Harry Dudson, Edith Winn, Frances Robbins, Gertrude Turnbull, Osgood Holt, Hamlin Robbins, Edith Whittemore, Bertha Yerrinton, Margaret Yerrinton, Russell Smith, Albert Pierce. Absent once: —Lawrence Pierce, Olive Jenkins, Ella Kimball, Helen Richards, Elizabeth Yerrinton. Absent twice: —Miss Coolidge, Loyd Goodwin.

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The late Mrs. Aaron H. Wellington, nee Margaret Dodge Shouler, who passed away suddenly in New York the last day of the old year, deserves more than the formal notice in the last issue of this paper. She came to New York when a bride and celebrated her golden wedding on Nov. 25th, 1904. The occasion was marked by its gathering of friends whom they bade to a feast in which caterer and decorator assisted. The happiness of the couple illumined the guests who caught the spirit; for a half-century of wedded life with solicitude each for the other, still uppermost in their minds, is now worthy of note in modern days. Not only in her family was she efficient, but she had identified herself with her church and charitable organizations, and to the

very last the spirit dominated the flesh and she furnished Xmas gifts for poor children. Dr. Collyer joined with her pastor, Rev. Mr. Wright, in the funeral service. His presence seemed a benediction and the tenderness which pervaded his words, bring a balm that cannot be expressed. She was a person of no pretense, but like a ray of sunshine entering a room, and the world is better for her ushers life.

Mr. A. Foster Brooks and his assistant foresters returned last week from the north shore, where they had been engaged for five weeks clearing trees of moth nests at Magnolia and Manchester.

Mr. Geo. H. Lowe, the well known contractor, is absent from town on a trip westward to attend the cement contractors' convention at Milwaukee, Wis., making stops at New York and Chicago.

At the Orthodox Cong'l church this week extra services have been held on Monday and Wednesday evenings in observance of the week of prayer. Friday evening occurs the annual meeting of the church.

The death of the late James L. Pitts removes all but one of the men who were engaged in the Welch & Griffith Saw Factory on Grove street when the senior came to Arlington. Ex-Selectman James A. Bailey, a son of one of the proprietors at that time, is the only survivor.

The annual meeting of the Samaritan Society of the Universalist church was held Thursday afternoon, followed by a parish supper served at 6.30. The "fair committee" showed active interest in the coming annual fair and the preliminaries were arranged. Clerk Chas. F. Coolidge then called the annual meeting of the society to order and Frank Bott was chosen moderator. The past has been a year of success, with bright hopes for the future. Officers elected for the ensuing year were: —

Prest. Frank Bott; treasurer, F. N. Bott; clerk, C. F. Coolidge; trustees, W. N. Winn, Jas. O. Holt, E. W. Goodwin, H. C. Leeds, F. O. Horter, W. P. Yerrinton.

The Musical Club entertained Wednesday evening at a recital given by Mrs. E. Nelson Blake at the "Maples." An 8-handed piano selection was played by Mrs. James A. Bailey, Jr., Mrs. C. H. Dennett, Mrs. Henry W. Bullard and Miss Catherine Yerrinton. Miss Ruth Richardson and Miss Yerrinton gave a duet for two pianos, and there were piano forte solos by Mrs. Myra Pond Hennaway and Mrs. Stephen B. Wood. A quartette composed of Mrs. John F. Scully, Mrs. Herbert H. Reed, Mrs. Henry Hornblower, and Mrs. Blake, contributed numbers, and solos were sung by mesdames Reed, Scully, and Blake, accompanied by Miss Richardson. Refreshments were served in the dining room.

The following was the program of the children's entertainment in the Town Hall, Tuesday evening. A full account, with children taking part, will be found on page five: —

Piano Solo, selected, Miss F. M. Gray. Reading, selected, Miss Estelle Van Horn. Butterly Drill, Ten Girls Song, selected, Miss Evelyn Parker Reading, "One Two and Three," Miss Gladys Jones Song, By a real live Yankee Doodle Boy, Porter Crosby Hoop Drill, Sixteen Girls Reading, selected, Miss Van Horn Soprano Solo, "Se Saran Rose," Mrs. Grace Walsh Macduff Sunbonnet Drill, Eight young ladies Song, "I've lost my kitty," Miss Gertrude Crosby Reading, "The hobby horse," Miss Jones Song, selected, Porter Crosby Good-Night Song, Eleven Wee Tots

At the First Parish church (Unitarian), the Rev. Frederic Gill will preach both morning and evening, on Sunday, his topic at 7 o'clock being, "Five Points of Unitarianism." To each service the public is cordially invited, an especial invitation being given to members of other churches to attend the evening service. The choir music for the day will be: —

MORNING SERVICE, Organ Prelude, Voluntary in B flat, Leyback Anthem, "Benedictus in E," Buck Alto Solo and Quartet. Selection, "Spirit of God, descend," Bixby Duet and Quartet. Response, "The Lord's Prayer," Weston Organ Postlude, Air Melodie, Goate EVENING SERVICE, 7 o'clock, Organ Prelude, "Festival Prelude," Buck Baritone Solo and Quartet. Evening Anthem, "I will extol thee," Grabill Soprano Solo, Soprano and Tenor Duet and Quartet.

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## CHOICE MISCELLANY

## Work of a Beaver Colony.

If the beavers continue their work on a dam across the North Fork just above the bridge across the river east of Hotchkiss they will ultimately cause several thousand dollars' worth of damage to property in that vicinity when high water comes in the spring. At present the little fellows have nearly twenty feet of their work completed, and the water is rushing against it without appreciable damage.

Mr. Thomas Blackwell, who has a lease on the Metcalf property, wrote to the state game warden asking what can be done about the matter, the law not allowing beavers to be killed. The warden replied that the beavers belonged to the state, but a permit could be granted for \$1 to kill ten or twelve beavers, provided they were doing damage, but that the pelts must be carefully prepared and shipped to the warden for sale, whereupon one-half of the proceeds will be returned for the "trouble" in catching them.

A dam such as the beavers build will back the water up on to the Metcalf property and wash away a large part of the place. Besides that the beavers are cutting down a large number of trees now on the place, and, situated so near town, the growth is of some value.—North Fork (Kan.) Times.

## Jewelry Without Owners.

"Do you know," asked a prominent man in the jewelry trade in Maiden lane, "that there are thousands of dollars' worth of unclaimed jewelry reposing in the safest and safety deposit vaults of goldsmiths and jewelers?

"These valuable articles consist either of jewelry left to be repaired and which has never been called for because of forgetfulness or because the owners have suddenly left the land of the living without leaving any record of the valuables. Many an executor of a tangled estate will be glad to get this hint."

"Last November I had two relatives of persons who were killed in the Slocum disaster finally trace heirlooms to me. So far as my records show, my patrons left articles to be repaired, and shortly afterward the fire destroyed all records of the transfer. I am always glad to get rid of these left overs not only because I wish the cash value of repairs, but also because they are regarded as hoodooes."—New York Press.

## Raising Black Foxes.

A Maine farmer who raises nothing but foxes claims to have discovered that the black fox is not a freak, and he is proceeding to prove this theory by mixing a black fox from Ohio with a red one caught in the Maine woods. From the cross he has a pair of fine black foxes ten weeks old, and as these twins are not the first he has raised the same way he is confident that in time he may be able to replace all the red foxes on his farm and raise for the fur market nothing but the finest blacks, whose pelts sell for \$200 to \$300 each. Judging from sales made in the past, the four black foxes he has now are entered on his stock list as worth \$1,000; and he feels rich. He has the foxes inclosed by a wire fence sixteen feet high and running down to the ledge, so that the sly rascals cannot dig out. He feeds the animals and lets them have the full run of the farm, which looks like a weed garden with a few trees growing in it, but pays a profit with small outlay for labor.—Worcester Telegram.

## Irish Idiom.

We are told that "bedad" is not Irish at all, never has been Irish except in the mind of the English comedian, and the mere Saxon is cheated of his best anecdotes. If the Irishman does not say "bedad," begorrah, what does he say? If you may not say "bedad" you may say at every opportunity, "Is it destroyed that ye are?" A blind woman is a "dark" woman; you must say "whisht" instead of "hush," and if a direct answer is to be wrung from you, which can generally be avoided in Ireland, you just say "It is" or "Ye are" or "I do," as the case may be, but never the plain English "Yes."—London Chronicle.

## Is a Tooth Property?

It is well known that a corpse is not property, but what about an extracted tooth? So far as we know the point has not arisen in the courts of this country. At Gera, in Germany, however, it has just been decided that the tooth still belongs to the man after it has left his jaw. The dentist contended that a tooth evicted from occupancy with the full consent of its landlord became ownerless and derelict, and as the particular tooth in question was curiously shaped he proposed to keep it. But the patient also wished to have it, and the patient has won.—Pall Mall Gazette.

## Brigands of Italy.

That Sicilian brigands are still living up to their melodramatic traditions is proved by the following bit of news from that island: About a month ago Signor di Martino, a Sicilian of good family, was captured by brigands while cycling near Palermo. His parents, instead of paying the ransom demanded, hired soldiers to search for him. His dead body has now been found buried under a pyramid of stones.

## Hawkins and the Hawkinses.

You pronounce the double "aa" in Hawkins like "aw" in "awful" and the "la" in Olaf as "laugh." The two names fall on the ear as "Hawkin" and "O-laugh." The numerous Hawkinses are descended from marauding crews of Northmen who flew on their flat-bottomed boats not the raven, but the hawk flag.



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## SNAKES OF SARAWAK.

The Pythons Are Enormous and Feed on Pigs and Children.

In the Sarawak Gazette is an article on the snakes of that part of Borneo. Of the poisonous reptiles it says: "The cobra (Naja tripudians) is a black snake which raises its head to strike when irritated, at the same time expanding the hood at either side of the neck. It spits at intruders and hisses like a cat, whence it is known as 'ular tepong.' In some parts, too, as 'tedong mata harl.' The word 'tedong' in Sarawak is apparently applied to all large snakes which Malays consider to be poisonous, and, as our Malays are but ill acquainted with these animals, quite a number of large but harmless forms are designated by this term. The hamadryad (Naja bungarus) is a brown snake, considerably bigger but rarer than the cobra. It is rather shy, but when cornered, like the cobra, it raises its head and expands the hood before striking. Its food is chiefly other snakes.

"Less dangerous than these naja are the vipers, of which the most common species is the green viper, which reaches a length of two feet or more. The head is large and shaped like an ace of spades. This creature is a tree snake and very sluggish. The bungarus' fasciatus, of length up to four feet, being black with yellow rings. It is called the 'ular buku tebor' (sugar cane joint) by natives. There are also sea snakes of many species. The tail of a sea snake is flattened and oval-like."

Sarawak has other snakes: "Of the pythons there are two species. Python reticulatus grows to an enormous size, over twenty feet. It is very fond of pigs, but varies its diet by various animals, including even children. The oil of this snake is used by Malays as an embrocation for bruises. The other species of python, Python curtus, is interesting in that its flesh tastes like that of fowl—at least, so Dyaks say, and they are authorities on snake flesh, for they eat a number of the large snakes."

## POINTED PARAGRAPHS.

Some people are simply acting natural when they are kicking.

Do the right thing by all of your friends, and you haven't anything but the core of the apple left.

People with real troubles do not care as much for sympathy as they do to have their trials as inconspicuous as possible.

When a man says that he has not a friend in the town where he lives you can depend on it that the town is not to blame.

Don't forget that your actions are measured as critically all through life as is the borrowed butter you return to a neighbor.

With all due consideration for the sober second thought, we notice that the longer we aim the more liable we are to miss the mark.—Atchison Globe.

## Froude's Youthful Terrors.

Of the youthful hardships endured by James Anthony Froude a biographer says: "Conceiving that the child wanted spirit, Hurrell, his elder brother, once took him up by the heels and stirred with his head the mud at the bottom of a stream. Another time he threw him into deep water out of a boat to make him manly. But he was not satisfied by inspiring physical terror. Invoking the aid of the preternatural, he taught his brother that the hollow behind the house was haunted by a monstrous and malevolent phantom, to which in the plenitude of his imagination he gave the name of Penningre. Gradually the child discovered that Penningre was an illusion and began to suspect that other ideas of Hurrell's might be illusions too."

## The Flying Lizard of Java.

The curious little animals known as flying lizards (Draco volans) are only found in Java, and their strange appearance is supposed to have been the origin of the dragon of the mediaeval eastern imagination. The reptile is like an ordinary lizard, but is provided with folds of extensible skin which are spread out by the long ribs and enable the animal to glide through the air from tree to tree in pursuit of the insects on which it preys. When lying prone on the mottled surface of a bough, it is an excellent example of "protective resemblance," as it is most difficult to be seen unless it moves.

## He Made Sure.

A story is told of the Sudan railway which shows patient literalness. To an official there came the telegram from an outlying station: "Station master has died. Shall I bury him?" The reply was sent: "Yes; bury station master, but please make sure he is really dead before you do so." In due time back came the message: "Have buried station master. Made sure he was dead by hitting him twice on the head with a fish plate." There was perfect assurance that there had been no premature burial.

## A Man of Nerve.

He—I called to see you last evening. She—Yes? He—Yes, the servant told me you were not in. She—Yes, I was so sorry to have missed you. He—I thought you must be. I heard you laughing upstairs in such grief stricken tones that I almost wept myself out of sympathy.

## The Reason.

Teacher—You've been a very good boy for the last day or two, Bobbie. I haven't seen you fighting with the other boys or romping in the schoolroom. Bobbie—Yes'm. I got a stiff neck.—Cleveland Leader.

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**HUMOR OF THE HOUR****No Sleep For Dolly.**

Small Nancy, aged four, had a doll to which she was devotedly attached. It could open and shut its eyes, and every night Nancy took it to bed with her, carefully closing its eyes before the light was turned out. One day the doll, as dolls from time immemorial have been known to do, met with an accident which placed the eye shutting mechanism out of business and left it with not only widely and permanently opened optics, but badly damaged ones as well. At intervals during the remainder of the day Nancy pleaded to have her dolly "cured," but nothing was successful. At bedtime, when she had donned her nightdress and started for her little bed, her mother saw she had forgotten the doll and reminded her of it, saying:

"But, Nannie, you've forgotten your baby. She won't be able to sleep unless you take her to bed with you, as usual."

To her mother's amused astonishment, Nancy threw a half contemptuous look over her shoulder at the doll, recumbent on a chair, and said:

"Oh, what's the use? She can't sleep anyway. Who ever heard of anybody sleeping with their eyes wide open?"—Philadelphia Ledger.

**A Romantic Simile.**

They were walking out together on a cloudless night under the light of the big round moon, which seemed unusually bright and beautiful. Suddenly he stopped, clasped his hands and cried rapturously:

"Oh, Mary! Look at the moon tonight. Isn't it beautiful—magnificent?"

"Yes, ain't it, William?" she replied, with equal enthusiasm. "It looks just like a big fried egg, don't it, dear?"—Judy.

**A Friend of Her Youth.**

"For mercy's sake, don't put me near old Billington!" said Mrs. Lookyoung to her friend.

"Why not?" said the other. "He's awfully interesting."

"I know it," said Mrs. Lookyoung; "but I never sit next to him at dinner but that he blurts out something like, 'You remember back in the old pioneer days!'"—Detroit Free Press.

**Flattery.**

**She—Do you believe in hypnotism?**  
**He—When you look at me I do.**

**Disappointed.**

"Dear me," she said when she was introduced to the aspiring young author, "isn't it funny how people will form ideas? I had pictured you to myself as somehow like the hero of your story."

"Oh! And don't you find any resemblance?"

"Not a bit. You know, you described him as being handsome and witty."—Chicago Record-Herald.

**Dog Wanted.**

At the last anniversary of the Cheshire school Bishop Brewster told of a minister who apologized for the shortness of his sermon by explaining that his dog had chewed up the first and last pages of his manuscript, whereupon a little boy in the congregation was heard to exclaim, "Say, I wish somebody'd give our minister a purr."—Lippincott's Magazine.

**Tenants of Her Heart.**

Tess—I thought you said you loved Jim from the bottom of your heart.

Jess—So I do.

Tess—And yet you keep on flirting with Tom and Dick. How can you if you really love Jim from the bottom of your heart?

Jess—Well, there's still room at the top, you know.—Washington Star.

**Quite So.**

"I am going to make all this fruit into preserves for pies," announced the housewife.

"Now, wouldn't that jar you?" murmured the peach to the apple.—Baltimore American.

**Their Joint Card.**

"Haven't Henpeck and his wife settled their differences about their visiting cards?"

"Oh, yes. They've compromised on Mr. and Mrs. Maria Henpeck."—Philadelphia Press.

**More Profitable.**

The Lady—and you say that you were doing story work some time ago?

Short story, eh?

Rambling Richard—No'm, second story.—Chicago News.

**Kept Her Promise.**

"I shall wed whom I please!" Said the belle to the beau, Though he sat on his knees; "I shall wed whom I please!" "Good!" he cried, with a squeeze, "Good! You please me, you know!" "I shall—wed—who—please!"

Said the belle to the beau.

—New Orleans Times-Democrat.

**PARISH REGISTERS.****The Sort of Entries They Kept in the Old Days in England.**

A vicar, John Printer of Worle, is accused in 1584 of having got so drunk at a Taverne in London, being the howse and signe of the Swanne in old Fysh Street," that he had to be "carried to his Lodging, or some other convenient place, (he) being so dronck, not halde hym-self to goo"—that is, walk. He is also charged with being "a common player at Bowles in the churchyard of Worle (his own parish) and common haunter of Tavernes, alehouses, Bearbeatinge (baiting) and Bul-beatinge, yea, upon the Sabbath daies, and an usual plaier at Tables (backgammon) & Cardes in the ale-houses and Tavernes."

On Sept. 25, 1621, John Brock of Duntry is presented:

"For usualle playing of the fines and cudgills in the churchyard theren on Sabbath daies and holie daies, as namelie hee, with others, did see upon St. Marke's daie past, and being reproved by the churchwarden for the same, hee gaue him a froward answer, sayinge, 'wee are at exercise to doe the kings service, & you will not suffer us, but the whiles you cutt your neighbors throats.'

"That on Sondale, 1 Julij, & on Sonndale 24 Junij ult, bee, Arthur Payton, and Edward Ward, tayler, did daunce in the churchyard thereof," and Richard Hulvord "played upon his instrument to those that usualle daunce in the churchyard theatre."—London Avenger.

**THE BIRD OF DEATH.****It Is the Only Venomous Member of the Reptile Tribe.**

Among all the thousands of feathered creatures classified by the trained ornithologists but one, the rpr n'doob, or "bird of death," is known to be venomous. This queer and deadly species of the winged and feathered tribe is a native of the island of Papua, or New Guinea. The bird is described as being about the size of a common tame pigeon, of gray plumage and a tail of extraordinary length, ending in a tip of brilliant scarlet red. It is a marsh bird and is found to inhabit only the immense stagnant pools adjoining the lakes of the interior of the island. The rpr has a hooked beak as sharp as a cock's spur and hollow. The venom with which it inoculates is distilled in a set of organs which nature has provided for that purpose and which lie in the upper mandible, just below the openings of the nostrils. Under this poison secreting laboratory in the roof of the mouth is a small fleshy knob. When the bird sets its beak in the flesh of a victim this knob receives a pressure which liberates the venom and inoculates the wound. No man, native or otherwise, was ever known to recover from a bite inflicted by a rpr n'doob. The suffering in such cases is said to be much more agonizing than in cases of rattlesnake and Gila monster bites.

**A Persistent Nest Builder.**

One of the most energetic nest builders is the marsh wren. In fact, he has the habit to such a degree that he cannot stop with one nest, but goes on building four or five in rapid succession. And there is nothing slovenly about his work either. Look among the cattails in the nearest marsh, even within the limits of a great city, and you will find his little woven balls of reed stems, with a tiny round hole in one side. There is a certain method even in his madness, for the nest in which his wife is brooding her seven or eight eggs is less likely to be found when there are so many empty ones around. Then, too, he uses the others as roosting places for himself.—London Opinion.

**Vinegar.**

Vinegar is fatal to many kinds of bacteria. We read that during the great plague in London a couple earned fabulous sums in nursing the wealthy and that their own means of defense was swathing the lower part of the face with cloths dipped in strong vinegar. Some one says, "My grandmother used a garge of salt and pepper with vinegar for all us children, and she didn't have to go to a sanitary club to learn it." True, no doubt, a timely though utterly empirical use of that garge has saved many lives.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

**"Carat" as Applied to Diamonds.**

Although the term "carat" is applied to diamonds as well as to gold, it does not mean the same thing. Used with regard to the metal it expresses quality or fineness, 24 carat being pure gold and 22 carat equal to coined gold. But applied to the diamond carat means actual weight, and by this measure 115/4 carats are equal to an ounce troy. The value of a diamond is not merely so much per carat, irrespective of size, but increases in an increasing ratio with the weight of the stone.

**Ceremony.**

I think there is a great deal of difference between that species of ceremony which exists with acquaintance and that which should always exist with the best of friends—the one prevents the growth of affection, the other preserves in youth and age.—Letters of Maria Edgeworth.

**Belief.**

Figg—You'll generally find that people believe what they want to believe. Fogg—Yes, and probably that accounts for the belief in everlasting punishment—for other people, of course—being so popular.

Were we eloquent as angels, yet we should please some people more by listening than by talking.—Colton.

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Leave Lexington for Bedford, Billerica and Lowell at 6:15 a.m., and half hourly until 9:45 p.m.

Leave Lexington for Bedford, Waltham and Lowell at 6:30 a.m., and half hourly until 10:00 p.m.

Leave Bedford for Billerica and Lowell at 6:22 a.m., and half hourly until 10:22 p.m.

Leave Billerica for Bedford, Lexington, Arlington Heights and Sullivan Square at 6:45 a.m., half hourly until 10:45 p.m.

Leave Bedford for Lexington, Arlington Heights and Sullivan Sq., at 7:07 a.m., and half hourly until 11:07 p.m.; then 11:22 to Arlington Heights, and 12:40 a.m., to Lexington and Bedford on.

Leave Lexington for Arlington Heights and Sullivan Sq. at 6:00 a.m., and half hourly until 11:30 p.m. For Arlington Heights, additional cars at 12:15 p.m., and half hourly until 7:15 p.m., and 11:45 p.m.

All cars leaving Arlington Heights at 45 minutes past the hour until 10:45 p.m., connect at Woburn St., Lexington with cars for Woburn, and until 10:45 p.m.

Leave Bedford for Lexington, Waltham and Lowell at 6:22 a.m., and half hourly until 10:22 p.m.

Leave Bedford for Billerica and Lowell at 6:30 a.m., and half hourly until 10:30 p.m.

Leave Billerica for Bedford, Lexington, Arlington Heights and Sullivan Sq. at 6:45 a.m., half hourly until 10:45 p.m.

Leave Lexington for Waltham until 11:00 p.m.

Leave Waltham for Lexington, 7:00 a.m., and half hourly until 11:30 p.m.

All cars from Waltham until 9:30 p.m., connect at Lexington for Bedford, Billerica, Lowell and Concord; until 10:30 p.m., for Woburn; until 11:00 p.m., for Arlington Heights and Sullivan Sq.

WOBURN DIVISION.

Leave Lexington for Woburn at 6:00 a.m., and hourly until 11:00 p.m.

Leave Woburn for Lexington at 6:30 a.m., and hourly until 11:30 p.m.

All cars from Woburn until 9:30 p.m., connect at Lexington for Bedford, Billerica, Lowell and Concord; until 10:30 p.m., for Woburn; until 11:00 p.m., for Arlington Heights and Sullivan Sq.

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Leave Lexington for Concord at 6:15 p.m., then 10:15, p.m.

Leave Concord for Lexington at 6:30 a.m., and hourly until 11:30 p.m.

All cars from Woburn until 9:30 p.m., connect at Lexington for Bedford, Billerica, Lowell and Concord; until 10:30 p.m., for Woburn; until 11:00 p.m., for Arlington Heights and Sullivan Sq.

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Leave Waltham for Lexington, 7:00, a.m., and hourly until 11:30 p.m.

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**W**The annual architectural exhibit of plans and drawings is worth visiting by those interested in this branch of the builder's craft. It is finely displayed in the hall of Boston Public Library, that has its entrance on Boylston street. The catalogue is quite a work of art.**W**It appears that Mayor Fitzgerald complains of Speaker Cole's appointment not on the ground that Boston is slighted but that his own political enemies get places. It is a new theory of State government that the Speaker must consult the desires of the winner of two factions of city Democrats.**W**Already there are suggestions of spring. You will find them budding out in the milliner's windows on Tremont Mall and Boylston street, Boston. It is art, not nature, and the season is being forced on business principles, rather than the influences of the weather. Just the same they suggest spring is coming and are stunning bouquets of soft spring colors and flowers.**W**The tuberculosis exhibition and convention, which have been held in Horticultural Hall for the past 11 days, under the auspices of the state board of health, came to a close last Sunday with a great public meeting, which was presided over by Mayor Fitzgerald, and which was also addressed by Dr. William T. Councilman of the Harvard medical school, Rev James O'Brien of South Boston and Rev Samuel M. Crothers of Cambridge. The hall was crowded to the doors.**W**Next Wednesday and Thursday evenings, in Tremont Temple in Boston, will be given the concert of old-time songs, for the benefit of Mass. Dept. G. A. R., whose treasury has become depleted by the diminishing membership to a point where outside help is required. We are pleased to know that a large degree of enthusiasm has been aroused which has resulted in the sale of nearly the whole house for both evenings. The balance of the tickets are now on sale at the Temple, at 50 cents, 75 cents and \$1, according to location. There is not a poor seat in the house for an entertainment of this sort.**W**The 73d exhibit of oil paintings at Boston Art Club is one that is creditable and ranks high with previous exhibits, although we do not call it the "best yet," as some art critics have declared. Enneking, the veteran painter of autumn skies and foliage, has two fine canvases of medium size that are full of poetry and sentiment and the realism of nature idealized by the painter's brush. Gallison has a large and splendid picture, full of the broad sweep of moorland and an inland stretch of water, which gives the effect of great space, distance and atmosphere and makes one feel as if they were indeed out in the open. The exhibit is at the Dartmouth street galleries and remains open till Feb. 3.**W**Boston Fruit & Produce Exchange held its annual meeting on last Saturday afternoon, January 6th, in its rooms in Quincy Market, Boston. Mr. Fred S. Mead, of Arlington, was elected president, and expressed the attitude of the Exchange towards "rate legislation" in the following resolution which was unanimously adopted:**W**The Boston Fruit and Produce Exchange wishes to again confirm its previous position relative to rate legislation, and to put itself upon record as agreeing with the President that the only constitutional and effective method for the supervision of rates, classifications and practices is by amending the interstate commerce act, so as to provide that the Interstate Commerce Commission shall be vested with the power where a given rate has been challenged and after a full hearing found to be unreasonable to decide, subject to a judicial review, what shall be a reasonable rate to take its place. The ruling of the Commission is to take effect in thirty days and to obtain, unless it is reversed by the Court of Review."**M**Mayor John E. Fitzgerald was present and made a most excellent impression in his address, in which he made a plea for better business conditions in Boston, and was also tendered an informal reception by the four hundred members present. H. S. Bean, of the committee on transportation, read a comprehensive paper on the disadvantages Boston merchants have to contend with in freight and transportation methods. The reports of other committees were read and accepted. The treasurer's report showed that the organization was in a flourishing condition. The Exchange was started in 1882, with less than one hundred members. Now there are seven hundred and eight members and a number of applications for

admission are pending. The following is a list of the officers for the ensuing term:

President, Fred S. Mead; vice-president, Joseph M. Thomas; treasurer, B. F. Southwick; delegate to Boston Associated Board of Trade, Sidney L. Burr; delegate to Massachusetts State Board of Trade, John H. Graham; board of directors for three years, Walter H. Blodgett, Jr., A. J. Cunningham, Thos. E. Holway; for one year, Albert P. Smith.

**W**The whole country sympathizes with Chicago in sorrow at the death of William Rainey Harper, President of the University of Chicago, which occurred on Wednesday, at his home on the University campus. Distinguished orator, linguist, author and renowned educator, he had impressed his individuality on the nation, and caused our whole people to be interested observers of the fight for life he has made in the face of the inevitable, during the past three years, since an operation for appendicitis revealed the fact that the trouble was a cancerous affection of the intestines. Every conceivable means of relief or cure that the highest medical skill of the country could produce was tried and partial success prolonged his life and gave grounds for hope of recovery, and shortly before the holidays it was expected his strength would permit of a trip south, where more genial weather conditions would contribute to ultimate recovery, but a few days later the old trouble returned with renewed vigor and the end came this week. The country suffers a serious loss in the death of this man who had just completed 50 years, but his splendid contribution to the educational interests of the whole world remain a priceless legacy and will be a lasting memorial.**W**Several complaints have come to State Superintendent Kirkland concerning persons who have made exorbitant charges for destroying brown-tail moth nests on private estates, and more particularly concerning those individuals who have done poor work against the moths on such estates. Numerous cases have been reported to the State office where contractors who cleared trees of brown-tail moths neglected to destroy the gypsy moth; in others cases brown-tail moth webs have been left in large numbers on the ground without burning them. To prevent such impositions on the public, Superintendent Kirkland suggests that, in cases of doubt as to the cost or quality of work done, it will be well to withhold payment until the work has been examined by a state inspector, or preferably by the local superintendent in charge of the town work. There are numerous reputable contractors doing work against the moths and a list of the same may be obtained by applying to the office of the State Superintendent at 6 Beacon Street, Boston, Mass. Any payment of money obtained under false pretences in connection with moth work should be promptly reported to the State Superintendent, who will assist in prosecuting the case where sufficient evidence can be obtained.**W**The child of to-day is the man of tomorrow. In all of its work the Mothers and Fathers Club, of Boston, is attempting to force this truth home to the unthinking. Save the child, and the race is saved. The subject of child labor is agitating thinking people to-day as never before. There is considerable ignorance as to the need of agitation on this subject and for this reason a public meeting was held at New Century Building, No. 177 Huntington Avenue, Monday evening, when every side of the subject was presented. Hon. Frank P. Bennett, Jr., member of the Labor Committee of the last Massachusetts Legislature, presented the legislative side, and outlined what action has been taken in Massachusetts to protect the child. Clara J. Alexander, M. D., whose long experience in the New England Hospital for Women and Children and other children's hospitals particularly fits her to know conditions, spoke on the physical effect of early labor upon children, and its deteriorating effect upon the race. Mr. George E. Bancroft, counsel for a number of large manufacturers, represented the employers' side. Miss Frances Maghee related some little stories from real life which have come in her personal experience of the real effect of child labor in the coal mines and glass factories of Pennsylvania and West Virginia, states which offend most in regard to laboring children; and the effect of child labor upon character and morals.

(Correspondence.)

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 31, '05.

**M**ESSRS. EDITORS:—Excuse me for the liberty I take in addressing you this letter, but I desired to send to some one in your place a box of oranges that were grown in an orange grove in northern California and, although I was born in Arlington many years ago, resided and attended school there for some years and also worked in a store there; still at the present time I do not personally know any person in Arlington. I left about 1852, when I knew almost every resident of West Cambridge, as the town was then called. I came to California in 1858, and settled in the city of Marysville, which has been my home most of the time since, although I am stopping temporarily at Sacramento, employed in the Secretary of State's office.

Marysville is in Yuba County, about fifty miles north, and Yuba adjoins Butte County on the south. I am well aware that many people in your section of the state have an idea that oranges are only grown in the southern part of California, and in fact the larger portion of the orange crop is grown there; but the fact is, also, that as fine oranges as are grown are those from the northern part. They are the first oranges to ripen and are usually all gathered and shipped to market before the Los Angeles orange is fit to pick.

Last week I shipped you a box of the last of their crop, as they expected to finish picking the Naval orange on the 21st of December. Of course there are other varieties that come in later. I hope they may come to you in good condition, and if so, would be pleased to hear what you

think of them. If they are considered good, give some of them to a few of your old-timers who resided in Arlington about 1850 or 1852, as a present from Barnard Ayer, who used to clerk in a store kept by C. F. Abbott. If there are any of the Robert Schouler family left, or Nathan Robbins family, or Prescott and Proctor, or Abner Pierce—those people I knew quite well—also John Schouler, Walter Fletcher, John Fillebrown—remember them.

Citrus fruits of all kinds can be grown cheaper in northern California than in the southern part of the state, and the land adapted to the fruit can be had for less than half the money. There are grown deciduous fruits of all kinds in abundance,—cherries, apricots, peaches, prunes,—in fact all kinds, and so far have been grown without irrigation. I would advise people from the east coming to California to take pains to visit this part of the state. They will surely find many things that will astonish them. I have seen orange orchards growing here for the past twenty-five years and I can safely say I have never known of an orange tree of three years or over to be killed by the frost; nor have I ever known of the fruit on an orange tree to be frozen. I have seen a few frosted some, but it is a very rare occurrence. A Riverside paper admits that Butte County grows as fine oranges as are grown at Riverside.

But I do not wish to tire you with my praise of the northern part of the state or to ignore the southern part. Los Angeles has some of the best people of this or any other state. Many of them are the real "live Yankees" who have set the pace for the world. They are a live people and I am proud to say they are the equals, if not the best, of those from any part of the world, and in enterprise are far ahead of the north, but we are coming to the front rapidly, and for investments at the present time, no better can be found. I shall be pleased to hear from you or any one in your vicinity, and if I can give any information to any one, shall be pleased to do so. If there are any of my old associates about there, shall be only too glad to hear from them.

Very respectfully yours,

L. BARNARD AYER.

**W**Mr. Asa Durgin, Somerville, died at his home in that city on Monday, aged 75. Though most of his life a resident of Somerville, his connection with the Spy Pond ice business made him a familiar figure in Arlington, where three of his brothers and several other relatives had homes. His brothers Frank and Horace D. served in the Union army and he shared with them in interest in Francis Gould Post 36, becoming a life "Associate" and aiding in raising funds to build G. A. R. Hall. Mr. Durgin was an influential citizen of Somerville, serving three years in the council and five years on the Board of Alderman, between the years 1876 and 1882, but of late years failing health has confined him closely to his home. Mr. Durgin formed the Cambridge Ice Co. and was its president at time of his death.

## THEATRE NOTES.

Something novel in the way of an animal act will be seen at Keith's the week of January 15, when Herman's troupe of dogs and cats will make their debut. Everywhere these animals have been seen in this country they have received the highest praise from critics and the public generally. Everybody knows how untractable an animal a cat is, and it will be nothing short of a revelation to see what this wonderful troupe accomplishes. They present a little sketch, entitled "A Friend of Animals," introducing "Medor," the enchanted statue. There is a wealth of capital entertainment in the surrounding program including Emil Hoch, Jane Elton and company, in the comedy sketch, "Mlle Rico," into which Miss Elton induces a capital portrayal of a Parisian music hall artist; Matthews and Ashley, conversational comedians; Sydney Grant, a former Boston boy and one of the best monologists; "Tot," the mysterious musician; Lillian Tiey and Irene Jensen, the Irish girl and the dainty singing comedienne; the Madcaps, clever acrobatic dancers; Dora Pelletier, pleasing vocal comedienne; Musical Hutch, comedy instrumentalist and Zinelle and Bouteille, in a funny comedy sketch. The customary new list of comedy and interesting motion pictures will be shown in the kinograph.

With the production of "The Merchant of Venice" at the Castle Square Theatre next week, will come the third classic revival of the season at that house. Months have been spent in preparing a new acting version of the famous comedy, and the result will be that the Castle Square audiences will see the play without the many omissions of the scenes and characters so frequent. Every one of its five acts will, moreover, be set with scenery especially designed for this production. Portia's home at Belmont will be strikingly and beautifully set, and the dual court wherein Shylock is tried for conspiracy against Antonio will be a faithful copy of an actual Venetian scene. All the scenes will, in fact, reproduce accurately the Venice of the time of the play. Playgoers who remember the fine performance of "Much Ado About Nothing" at the Castle Square some three months ago, will have no difficulty in expecting an equally good interpretation of "The Merchant of Venice." Shylock will be played by Mr. Waldron; Bassanio by Mr. Mackay, and Portia by Miss Kimmell.

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SACRAMENTO, Cal., Dec. 31, '05.  
**M**ESSRS. EDITORS:—Excuse me for the liberty I take in addressing you this letter, but I desired to send to some one in your place a box of oranges that were grown in an orange grove in northern California and, although I was born in Arlington many years ago, resided and attended school there for some years and also worked in a store there; still at the present time I do not personally know any person in Arlington. I left about 1852, when I knew almost every resident of West Cambridge, as the town was then called. I came to California in 1858, and settled in the city of Marysville, which has been my home most of the time since, although I am stopping temporarily at Sacramento, employed in the Secretary of State's office.

Marysville is in Yuba County, about fifty miles north, and Yuba adjoins Butte County on the south. I am well aware that many people in your section of the state have an idea that oranges are only grown in the southern part of California, and in fact the larger portion of the orange crop is grown there; but the fact is, also, that as fine oranges as are grown are those from the northern part. They are the first oranges to ripen and are usually all gathered and shipped to market before the Los Angeles orange is fit to pick.

Last week I shipped you a box of the last of their crop, as they expected to finish picking the Naval orange on the 21st of December. Of course there are other varieties that come in later. I hope they may come to you in good condition, and if so, would be pleased to hear what you

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## SPECIAL NOTICE.

## Arlington Five Cents Savings Bank.

At the annual meeting of the Corporation of the Arlington Five Cents Savings Bank, held Dec. 20th, 1905, the following named officers were elected for the ensuing year:

President, William G. Peck.  
Vice-Presidents, Varnum Frost, Henry J. Locke, Geo. Y. Wellington.  
TRUSTEES:  
William G. Peck Theodore Schwamb  
George H. Wellington William H. Tuttle  
George Hill Ward S. Norton  
James A. Bailey Bertie A. Norton  
Varnum Frost Charles W. Allen  
Henry J. Locke James P. Parmenter  
Reuben W. Hopkins Henry Hornblower  
Edwin S. Farmer Edwin S. FarmerBoard of Investment—William G. Peck, Edward S. Fessenden and George Hill.  
Secretary and Clerk of the Corporation—Henry Blodgette.

All the above named persons have accepted said offices and have duly qualified according to law.

The following named persons are the Corporators of the Bank:

William N. Winn John H. Hardy  
James P. Parmenter Joseph C. Holmes  
Edward C. Turner Theo. D. Dupee  
John S. Crosby Elbert L. Churchill  
William A. Allen James A. Bailey  
William E. Wood George H. Wellington  
Lucius Kimball Wm. H. H. Tuttle  
John Gray Benjamin F. Norton  
William G. Peck Peter Schwamb  
Varnum Frost Edwin S. Farmer  
Theodore Schwamb Walter Crosby  
Henry J. Locke Harvey T. Sears  
Reuben W. Hopkins Frank E. Frost  
Edward S. Farmer Thomas E. Holway  
Henry Hornblower M. Ernest Moore  
S. Fred Hicks Harry G. Porter  
Charles W. Allen William D. Elwell  
Nichols L. McKay Eliot R. FowleHENRY BLASDALE, Clerk.  
Arlington, Mass., Jan. 11, 1906. 13janlw

## Board of Survey.

## (SPECIAL NOTICE)

A petition has been received from J. Howell Crosby and others for the approval of plans contemplating the extention of

Water Street to Mystic Street.

A hearing on said petition will be given by the Board of Survey, in accordance with the provisions of Section 2, Chapter 249, Acts of 1867, at the Selectmen's Room, Town Hall, Monday, Jan. 22, 1906, at 7:30 o'clock, p. m.

JAMES A. BAILEY, JR., Board of Survey  
WARREN W. RAWSON, Survey  
S. FREDERICK HICKS, of Arlington.  
13janlw

## Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

## PROBATE COURT.

MIDDLESEX SS.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of JAMES L. PITTS, late of Arlington, in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for Probate, by Fannie Plits Frederik, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the sixth day of February, A. D., 1906, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Arlington ADVOCATE, a newspaper published in Arlington, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, CHARLES J. MCINTIRE, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and six. 13janlw

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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## CHINESE ART IN STONE.

Its Best Examples and Some of Its Greatest Defects.

The spirit of purely Chinese art in stone is shown in work such as the great monolith figures of animals and warriors which flank the approach to the tombs of the Ming dynasty and in the perfectly plain structures designed for the tombs of the present dynasty.

These are composed of enormous blocks of stone brought with infinite labor from distant quarries over roads and bridges which are hardly capable of sustaining ordinary cart traffic and have always to be specially prepared to prevent the great weights causing their collapse.

The same admiration for the employment of huge blocks of stone is seen in the case of the bridges over the rivers along the coast of South Fukien, where the stone slabs used in the construction occasionally measure sixty feet in length and are estimated to weigh nearly 120 tons, and the bridges themselves have a length of 1,000 to 2,000 yards.

In almost all cases where the buildings are not of solid construction the weight of the blocks employed has placed a strain upon the supports which the architect's skill was not competent to provide against, and with the lapse of time the melancholy spectacle is seen of slabs fallen from their places and of noble and costly structures approaching ruin. In some cases the interdependence of the arches leads to the same result. One notable instance of this occurred during Colonel Gordon's campaign against the Taipings, when to allow of the passage of his small steamers it was necessary to make a gap in a bridge of over twenty arches, and arch after arch collapsed immediately after the passage of his small flotilla. —London Saturday Review.

## AVERAGE HUMANITY.

Most People Are Not Very Good Nor Yet Very Bad.

What do we mean by a good man or a bad one, a good woman or a bad one? Most people, like the young man in the song, are "not very good, nor yet very bad." We move about the pastures of life in huge herds, and all do the same things at the same times and for the same reasons. "Forty feeding like one." Are we mean? Well, we have done some mean things in our time. Are we generous? Occasionally we are. Were we good sons or dutiful daughters? We have both honored and dishonored our parents, who in their turn had done the same by theirs. Do we melt at the sight of misery? Indeed we do. Do we forget all about it when we have turned the corner? Frequently that is so. Do we expect to be put to open shame at the great day of judgment? We should be terribly frightened if this did not cling to the hope that amid the shocking revelations then for the first time made public our little affairs may fail to attract much notice.

Judged by the standards of humanity, few people are either good or bad. "I have not been a great sinner," said the dying Nelson; nor had he—he had only been made a great fool of by a woman. Mankind is all tarred with the same brush, though some who chance to be operated upon when the brush is fresh from the barrel get more than their share of the tar. The biography of a celebrated man usually reminds me of the outside of a coast guardman's cottage—all tar and whitewash. —Essays of Augustine Birrell.

## Budapest.

"Americans know absolutely nothing of one of the greatest cities of all Europe," said a returned traveler. "I refer to Budapest. Do you believe it has over three-quarters of a million inhabitants and is foremost in many of the arts and sciences? Take my word for it. Why, it has a university with nearly 5,000 students and 230 professors. The trolley was developed in Budapest. Most of the population is Magyar. Buda has the finest Jewish synagogue in the empire. The Danube, dividing Buda from Pest, is a beautiful stream, spanned by magnificent bridges. The largest electrical works in all Europe are in this wonderful city."—New York Press.

## The Crab as a Fisherman.

The crab sometimes catches a fish, and it catches it without hook and line. It lies in wait, perhaps in some creek, with its jaws extended in front and open. Perhaps a school of killies comes along, and it may be that a killie on the outskirts of the school may swim unsuspectingly along through the clear water between the upper and lower parts of one of the motionless open claws of the crab. When it is well within them the claw suddenly snaps together and that particular little killie goes no farther.

## Literary Genius.

"Why is genius so often misunderstood?" asked the literary person. "Probably," answered the man who doesn't care for poetry, "it's because genius so frequently fails to talk plainly."—Exchange.

## Woman's Right.

Mamie—I believe in woman's rights. Gertie—Then you think every woman should have a vote? Mamie—No, but I think every woman should have a voice.—Chicago Record-Herald.

## Economy.

"The under crust of this apple pie is too tough to eat."

"That's the intention. It can be used again, you know."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

While one finds company in himself and his pursuits he cannot feel old, no matter what his years may be.

## A STORM IN THE JUNGLE.

It Comes With a Roar Like That of a Giant Waterfall.

People who have never been in a jungle talk of the sky as a painter talks of the horizon or a seafaring man of the ocean—as if when you wanted to see it you only need use your eyes. But in the jungle you don't see the sky—at least you only see a few scraggy patches of it overhead through the openings in the twigs and leaves. Neither do you feel the wind blowing, nor get burned or dazzled by the sun, nor even see that luminary except by momentary glimpses about midday, from which it follows that a jungle man does not usually pretend to be weatherwise. If he does he is even a greater humbug than the rest of the weather prophets. On the afternoon about which we are speaking I remember setting forth on my walk in the still glow of the tropical calm and wondering rather at the intense stillness of the surrounding forest. Then the air grew cooler and the green of the foliage in front seemed to deepen, and presently there was a sound as of a giant waterfall in the distance. Waterfalls do not, however, grow louder every second, whereas the noise in front did so. Then there was a loud, angry growl, as of a dozen lions. A minute more and the whole jungle began to roar as if fifty squadrons of heavy cavalry were coming up at a gallop. Then came a drop of rain and a peal of thunder which seemed to make the world stop.

Then the storm began. The sky above darkened; the trees clattered; the brushwood beneath hissed and howled itself. A deluge of raindrops blotted out the narrow view. Down it came, soaking through the densest leaves under which one fled for refuge, striking the grass and sand with millions of dull thuds, dashing furiously against the leaves as if they were so many hostile shields, streaking the air with innumerable perpendicular jets and hurling itself down with the force of bullets.

In such a downpour one may as well walk and get wet as stand still and get wet. Unfortunately one did not know where to walk to. The "telephonous system" presupposes the fact that the wagon wheels and bullock tracks can be seen and noted, but when the car track is no longer a car track, but all turned to rushing waters, such tracks cannot be seen, and unless you have a pocket compass you may as well try to fly as to get back to where you came from. When one reads of travelers lost in the backwoods, they always steer by the sun—and probably very badly—but when there is no sun what are you to do?—Siam Press.

## The Ice of Greenland.

The largest mass of ice in the world is probably the one which fills up nearly the whole of the interior of Greenland, where it has accumulated since before the dawn of history. It is believed to now form a block about 600,000 square miles in area and averaging a mile and a half in thickness. According to these statistics, the lump of ice is larger in volume than the whole body of water in the Mediterranean, and there is enough of it to cover the whole of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland with a layer about seven miles thick. If it were cut into two convenient slabs and built up equally upon the entire surface of "gallant little Wales" it would form a pile more than 120 miles high. There is ice enough in Greenland to bury the entire area of the United States a quarter of a mile deep.—London Globe.

## A Dowry on Approval.

A curious custom prevails among Roumanian peasants. When a Roumanian girl is of marriageable age, all her trousseau, which has been carefully woven, spun and embroidered by her mother and herself, is placed in a painted wooden box. When a young man thinks of asking to be allowed to pay his attentions to the girl he is at liberty at first to open the box, which is always placed conveniently at hand, and examine the trousseau. If the suitor is satisfied with the quantity and quality of the dowry he makes a formal application for the girl's hand, but, if, on the contrary, the trousseau does not please him, he is quite at liberty to retire.

## Man and His Valet.

"I never saw a man so entirely dependent on his valet."

"Quite helpless without him, eh?"

"Quite helpless. Mabel told me that when he came to propose he brought his valet with him."

"What was that for?"

"Why, when he reached the proper place his valet spread a hemstitched handkerchief on the floor for him to kneel upon."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

## Diplomatically Put.

"I am afraid you are absolutely governed by your wife."

"No," answered Mr. Meekton, who had been reading the foreign news. "I'm not absolutely governed by her, but I must admit that I am very much within her sphere of influence."—Washington Star.

## A Choice of Evils.

Landlady—Would you advise me to send my daughter to a cooking school or to a music school? Boarder (reflectively)—Well, I think I'd send her to a cooking school. It may be more fatal in its results, but it isn't anything like so noisy.

## Stingy.

"It seems strange," said Deacon Mayberry as he counted the money after church, "that a large congregation can be so small."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

All human power is a compound of time and patience.—Balzac.

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**SPOILED HIS DINNER**

**WHY GENERAL CLARK ONCE REFUSED  
TO EAT WITH VEST.**

**Bad Plight of the Old Missouri Fighter Under the Skillful and Merciless Baiting of the Artful and Tantalizing Senator.**

Among the most prominent story tellers in Missouri annals were General John B. Clark of Wilson creek fame and the matchless George Graham Vest. The writer remembers a story Senator Vest used to tell about General Clark that is worth while.

Vest and Clark were seated at a table in a popular restaurant in Washington chatting about Missouri and Missourians while the waiter was out preparing their order for dinner. On this particular occasion Vest was doing most of the listening, while General Clark in his peculiar scrapy, piping voice was discoursing upon the merits and demerits, principally demerits, of Missouri political leaders.

Those who knew General Clark well during his lifetime undoubtedly remember with what extravagance the general could praise and laud those he had a liking for at the moment and with what grim humor he could satirize and ridicule the foibles and weaknesses of those he happened to dislike.

It was these dispositions on the part of the general that caused him to get into trouble at this time.

Although Vest was listening attentively and respectfully to the general's conversation, assisting him on with his story with a grunt of approval now and then, even offering suggestions as occasion would permit, yet all the while the senator was casting his eyes to the daily paper spread out upon the table near him. The general, encouraged by Vest's grunts and suggestions, was working himself up to a striking climax in a ludicrous story about a Missouri politician whom the general for the moment had concluded he didn't like, when he was abruptly interrupted by Senator Vest's speaking as if he had just discovered something in the paper he had been glancing at.

"By the way, general," said Vest, "do you know one Captain — — — (we will call him "Captain John Smith" for the purpose of this story), "down in Missouri?"

"Yes," snapped the general, showing some irritation at having his story interrupted right in the very flower of its growth, "certainly I know him, and a dirtier coward never walked the face of the earth than this same Captain John Smith."

This little fling at Captain Smith was a left handed stroke at Vest for interrupting his (Clark's) story, as Vest had planned and expected it would be. However, the general showed a disposition to let it all go at this and attempted to resume his fractured story about the Missouri politician.

"As I was saying"—

"Well," Vest interrupted again, not pretending to notice that the general had attempted to resume his story, "I don't know anything about the fellow being a coward. In fact, I know nothing about him. But I knew you did, and I thought I would get you to tell me something about him."

"Of course I know him, Vest," the general responded, pitching his scrapy voice in a little higher key, "and I have already said enough about him to cause any genuine Missourian to lose interest in him. There is nothing to him, I tell you, except a yellow streak from the crown of his head to the sole of his feet, a forked streak. Know him! Why, I know him like a book. He's a coward, I tell you, and that's enough for any Missourian to know about anybody. Why, I tell you that fellow is afraid to go out in the cornfield where they are gathering corn because the popping of the breaking cornstems sounds so much like a gunshot that it frightens him nearly to death. Don't talk to me, Vest, about Captain John Smith. I know him."

"I didn't know him, general," Vest innocently responded, "but since you have given such a graphic description of his character I feel that I know him better. Nevertheless, general, the fellow seems to write a right good article."

"Humph!" snorted the general in disgust. "I'd like to know what that fellow could be writing about. Nobody would believe a word he could say. He's a coward, I tell you. I know, for I've had him in command under me, and I've seen him flicker time and again. Nobody will ever believe a word a coward will say, but what is the fellow trying to write about, Vest?"

"The Battle of Wilson Creek," the senator replied as he picked up the paper and prepared to read the story to the general. The senator knew he had the general at the verge of the precipice and that it was time to top him over, and right well did he do it.

The battle of Wilson creek was General Clark's theme on any and all occasions, and as soon as Senator Vest mentioned that as being Captain Smith's subject the general was all attention in a moment.

The senator began the story at the beginning and read it clean through for the general's benefit, occasionally glancing over the edge of the paper out of the corner of his eye to observe the effect it was having on the general. The senator was soon rewarded, for the general soon began to twist and wriggle uneasily in his seat. In other words, the general was over the precipice. He knew it and was working his brain for all it was worth for a hold to recover.

The senator chuckled quietly to himself as he read on. Presently he came

to the climax of the story, that read about as follows:

It was a desperate and sanguinary battle. The men in our line were falling like withered leaves in a November gale, and blood was running in little rivulets from pool to pool that had gathered in the depressions all over the battleground. Our men were mostly raw recruits, unaccustomed to such scenes of carnage, and, as might be expected under such circumstances, they wavered under the dashing onslaught of the intrepid Lyon and his valiant men. For a moment it appeared that the day and all even honor, would be lost in complete defeat and ignominious rout. Just at this critical moment who should go to the relief of our sorely tried men but that gallant brigade commanded by that bold, intrepid leader who knows not what the word fear means. General John B. Clark, the greatest hero of the battle, and the day was—

"Who did you say wrote that article, Vest?" broke in General Clark, not being able to restrain himself longer.

"Captain John Smith," the senator replied parenthetically and turned to his paper again as if he was about to resume the reading.

"Oh, thunder," snorted the general in response. "I thought you was talking about Captain John T. Smith—at least that is the man I had in mind all the time. You know, there were two Captain Smiths in my brigade. One was Captain John T. Smith, whom everybody nicknamed as 'John the Coward,' and there was plain Captain John Smith, whom everybody nicknamed 'John the Bold,' and bold indeed he was. There is no braver, more truthful and more upright man in every respect in all the state of Missouri, Vest, than this same plain Captain John Smith 'the bold.' Furthermore, Vest, every word he has written in that article is the unvarnished truth from beginning to end. I'll vouch for plain Captain John Smith every time. Besides, I was there, you know, and I know it is so."

"But, general," the senator rejoined as he fairly exploded with laughter, "you see, this article is signed by John T. Smith, not the plain John Smith. I did not think at the time that the middle initial would assist you in identifying this man; hence my failure to give his full name as it is written here when I first inquired about him."

This was too much for the general. Bounding from his seat and shaking his finger in the senator's face, he said:

"Vest, of all the demons that stalk upon the face of the earth you are the biggest and most heartless. I'll not eat with you, sir."—Kansas City Star.

**Sir Walter Scott's Pluck.**

When Sir Walter Scott was left poverty stricken, with debt amounting to \$700,000, he said to his creditors, "Give me time, and I shall be able to pay you every farthing." Having relinquished his property to his creditors, he said to a friend in a deep, thoughtful tone: "It must be very hard thus to lose all the labors of a lifetime and be a poor man at last. But if God grants me strength and life a few years longer I have no doubt I shall be able to pay it all."

He then set to work in earnest, and during the three years that followed performed a literary feat unparalleled and reaped immense profits. In these three years, from 1827 to 1830, he wrote and published about thirty different volumes, making more than ten a year. Besides this he was editing an edition of his novels, to which he added copious notes, and such was the demand for these works that over 1,000 persons were occupied in their mere manufacture. It seems hardly credible, but nineteen of these volumes were edited and published in a year. The profits resulting from these three years of labor amounted to something like \$300,000.

**Bought Her Own Gown.**

They tell a story of an unfortunate Parisian society woman who, being terribly pushed for a gown to wear at a great occasion, sold seven gowns for the price of one to Mme. X. Among these gowns was one hardly rumpled and which, though very magnificent, had evidently been worn at most only once. This dress Mme. X. sold as a model to Mme. Y., who was the society woman's dressmaker and who had been obdurate about making another dress for the poor little woman without cash down. When this "model" came in she saw a chance for big return of money, so she compromised with her customer and agreed to let her have a new dress, just imported, for a very low figure. Whereat the poor little woman paid all the money she had received for all her dresses and out Mme. Y. brought the model. The poor woman talked herself blue in the face, but she could not say anything to protect herself without betraying her dealing with Mme. X., so, poor thing, she danced in her old frock after all, having swapped all her other gowns for the privilege.

**A Transformation Scene.**

A fashionable audience in Paris listened to a lecture on chemistry by a celebrated chemist. At the conclusion of the lecture a lady and gentleman who were among the first to leave the hall had reached the open air when the lady caught her escort staring at her. "What is the matter?" asked the madame in surprise. "Pardon me, but you are quite blue!" The lady returned to the hall and approached a mirror. She started back in horror. The rouge upon her cheeks had been converted into a beautiful blue by the chemical decomposition which had taken place under the influence of the gases which had been generated during the lecture. The majority of the women in the audience had suffered in a similar manner.

There were all sorts of colors—blue, yellow, violet and black. Some whose vanity had induced them to put ivory on the skin, coral on the lips, rouge on the cheeks and black on the eyebrows had undergone a ludicrous transformation.

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**NEW SHORT STORIES****A Young Lawyer's First Case.**

Judge James J. Banks, the well known Denver lawyer, is a native of the south. It was in Birmingham, Ala., that he hung out his first shingle. For a long while Judge Banks sat in his office and wondered what a law client looked like. He would read and study to pass the long hours away. Every time he heard footsteps in the hall he would straighten up, assume an air of knowledge and wait, only to be disappointed. One day an old negro woman entered his office.

"Is yo' de lawyah man?" she asked. Judge Banks immediately was all attention. This surely was a client. He answered in the affirmative.

"Well, sah," said the old woman, "Ah wants ter ax yo' ma house. Ah kain't pay hit, en de lan'lord say he gwine put me out nex' week of Ah doan fatch round de cash. What's Ah gwine terdo, Mistah Lawyah Man?"

Judge Banks gave himself over to deep study for a moment; then he told



"DID AH DONE DRAPPED SOMETHIN'?" the old woman that, with due process of law, the landlord could be compelled to give her a month's notice. The first client was delighted.

"Well, now, young man," she said, "Ah's mighty much erbliger ter yo' yo' subtin' en smaht. Good mohnnin'!"

"Hold on," came from the young lawyer. "Haven't you forgotten something?"

"How's dat?" asked the old negress. "Did Ah done drapped somethin'?"

"No," said Judge Banks, "but my fee is \$5. You must pay me for that advice."

The old negress hesitated; then she took hold of the door knob.

"Mistah," she said, "Ah doan want yo' ole device. Keep hit. Dat rent ain't but foob dollahs." And out she went.—Denver Post.

**Followed His Leader.**

The other day when a question of war was involved in a vote in the house Charley Landis of Indiana entered the house hurriedly, just as his name was called, says the Washington correspondent of the New York Times.

He looked around and then asked Acheson of Pennsylvania how Grosvenor voted. When the Pennsylvania member replied that the snowy bearded member from Ohio had voted in the affirmative, Landis did the same.

Later Echeson asked Landis why he did that, whereupon Landis told a story.

He said that back in the old days when John Allen of Mississippi was the wit of the house he came in one day in the same way and heard his name called just as he entered the hall. He at once turned to old Billy Breckinridge of Kentucky and asked him how Taulbee from the same state voted.

"Taulbee voted yeas," said Breckinridge.

"Yea!" yelled Allen as loudly as he could.

Some one asked John why he wanted to vote the same as Taulbee did.

"Well," drawled the private. "I always do that. Taulbee looks just like my colonel in the wah, an' I followed him all through and never got into any trouble."

**Just How It Happened.**

J. Weston of Oxford county, Me., tells the following story of a neighbor of his who had the misfortune to fall from a scaffold in his barn and fracture several ribs.

After a long and tedious illness he was able to walk around, and he wanted to show a friend how he met with the accident. They went to the barn, and he laboriously climbed to the scaffold.

"I was standing right here and started to cross at just this place," he said, "and when I put my foot on this board down I went and—tarnation blazes, here I go again."

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**Arlington Fire Alarm Box Locations**

- 13 Corner Henderson and Sawin Streets.
- 14 Corner Mass. Avenue and Teel Street.
- 15 Corner Mass. Avenue and Lake Street.
- 16 Corner Mass. Avenue opp. Tufts Street.
- 17 Mass. Ave. bet. Palmer and Wyman Streets.
- 18 Lake Street, opposite D. Wyman's house.
- 19 North Union Street, opposite Fremont.
- 20 Town Hall (Police Station)
- 21 Junction Broadway and Warren Street.
- 22 Beacon Street, near Warren.
- 23 Hose 3; House, Broadway.
- 24 Corner Medford Street and Lewis Avenue.
- 25 Corner Mystic and Summer Streets.
- 26 Mystic Street, near Fairview Avenue.
- 27 Kensington Park
- 28 Pleasant Street, near Lake Street.
- 29 Pleasant Street opp. Gray.
- 30 Pleasant Streets bet. Addison and Wellington Town Hall.
- 31 Russell Street, corner Russell Terrace.
- 32 Academy Street, near Maple.
- 33 Mass. Avenue near Mill Street.
- 34 Jason Street near Irving
- 35 Mass. Avenue, near Schouler Court.
- 36 Corner Summer and Grove Streets.
- 37 Hose 2; House, Massachusetts Avenue.
- 38 Brattle Street, near R. R. Station
- 39 Massachusetts Avenue opp. Forrest Street.
- 40 Westminister Avenue cor. Westmoreland Ave
- 41 Hose 1; House, Park Avenue.
- 42 Appleton Street near Oakland Avenue
- 43 Elevated R. R. Car House.
- 44 Corner Florence and Hillside Avenues.
- 45 Massachusetts Avenue near Hubert Street.
- 46 Forest Street, north of R. R. tracks.

**SIGNALS.**

- 2 Two blows for test at 4:45 a. m., and 6:45 p. m.
- 2 Two blows—Dismissal Signal.
- 3 Three blows twice—Second Alarm.

- 3-3. Three blows, three times—Third Alarm.
- 2-2. Four rounds at 7:15 (High school only) and 8:15, a. m., and 12:45 and 1:15, p. m.—No School Signal.
- 8 Eight blows—Forest Fire Signal, followed by two rounds of Box nearest fire.
- 10 Ten blows—Out of Town Signal.
- 12-12. Twelve blows twice—Police Call.

CHARLES GOTTLIEB, Chief.

R. W. LEBARON, Supt. of Wires.

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**Joint Installation.**

Thursday evening, in Grand Army Hall, an exceedingly interesting service was participated in by a company which rather taxed the seating capacity of the main hall. It was one of those social functions which tend to cement the ties binding its auxiliaries to the veterans of the civil war organized as Francis Gould Post 36, G. A. R., which it seems wise occasionally to arrange for, as the time is hastening on when larger and more frequent calls than in the past will have to be responded to by these tried and proved friends of the veterans.

The special event alluded to was the joint installation of the officers for the ensuing year of Corp 43 and Post 36, but these exercises were preceded by a supper in the banquet hall, served at six o'clock, by members of the Corps and friends. These suppers have made the ladies of this organization somewhat famous as caterers and their reputation was well sustained on this occasion.

To bring the event within a reasonable (to the veterans) time limit, the installing officer was prompt to respond at sharp seven o'clock. This official was nothing less than Past-Dept. President Mary E. Knowles, who has no superior if she has an equal in this especial branch of service. A trained elocutionist and letter perfect in her work, the ritual in her hands had its deepest significance. The full roster of officers installed is as follows:—

President, Georgia P. Jacobs  
Senior-Vice, Mary A. Willard  
Junior-Vice, Sarah J. Buttell  
Secretary, Caroline R. Morse  
Treasurer, Grace Whittier  
Chaplain, Sarah J. Ewart  
Conductor, Louise Records  
Asst. Con., Mary A. Williams  
Guard, Eliza Winchester  
Asst. Guard, Harriet A. Streeter  
Patriotic Inst., Nellie M. Farmer  
Press Cor., Clara J. Smith  
Color Bearers, Nellie Marden, Clara Kimball, Etta Mauger, Josie Lewis.

The ceremony of installation was appropriately supplemented by the presentation of a new bunting flag to Post 36 through Commander Henry Bradley. Mrs. Nellie M. Farmer, Patriotic Instructor for Corps 43, being the one chosen to make the presentation; also by eloquent and timely words from the installing officer.

The installing officer for Post 36 was Past-Commander Horace J. Gray of Post 30, Cambridge, who performed a similar service here 12 years ago. Comrade M. W. Pike officiated as his Officer-of-the-day. The officers installed are exactly the same as those serving last year, as follows:—

Commander, Henry Bradley  
Senior-Vice Com., Henry W. Berthrong  
Junior-Vice Com., John Ewart  
Quartermaster, Sylvester C. Frost  
Adjutant, Leander D. Bradley  
Surgeon, David Chenevry  
Chaplain, Wm. P. Willard  
Officer-of-the-Day, Edward H. Downing  
Officer-of-the-Guard, Henry R. Clark  
Patriotic Instructor, Charles S. Parker  
Sergeant-Major, Alex. H. Seaver  
Q. M. Sergeant, Jacob O. Winchester  
Guard, George W. Barnes.

The formal services of Post 36 were most happily introduced. Having called the company to order, the retiring President of Corps 43, Mrs. Georgiana P. Jacobs, was called to the platform, and at the hands of Mrs. Jessie Crosby received a neck chain, from Mrs. Ewart a mantle clock (tokens of love and esteem from the ladies) and from Commander Bradley an elegant bouquet from Post 36. The "I sincerely thank you" of the recipient, from the manner spoken, was better than a speech.

This "extra" was followed immediately by the usual formalities introducing installation exercises and the contrast between the snap and vim of the first and the evidences that time has its effect on all things human on the other was strongly emphasized.

Commander Bradley presided at the closing exercises, having with him on the platform, Hon. Warren W. Rawson, Mrs. Knowles, Pres. of the War Nurses Association, Commander Mudge of Camp 45. The first speaker was Department Patriotic Instructor Charles S. Parker, who spoke of the work among the school children. In responding, Mr. Rawson gave some interesting G. A. R. statistics, and pledged his interest and support. The installing officer made a few remarks and Mrs. Knowles followed with bright and witty recitations. The Post Orchestra and comrade Keniston aided in giving variety to the exercises.

**Ice Hockey.**

Wednesday afternoon Arlington high defeated Winchester on Wedge pond at ice hockey, 9 to 0. The experience of the visitors was too much of a handicap for the home team to overcome, for in the last five minutes of play, the Arlington forwards caged five goals in a skillful and rapid fashion. The work of the Arlington forwards was too strong for the Winchester defense. Capt. Hicks, Sloane and Clifford shooting the nine goals between them. Winchester's goal was in danger almost throughout the entire game. For Winchester, Wingate, Larave and Richardson played the best game. The summary:—

ARLINGTON H. S.	WINCHESTER H. S.
Hicks t.....	f Richardson
Sloane f.....	f Hunt
Clifford f.....	f Wingate
M. Taylor f.....	f Larave
Gray ep.....	f Kelley
Hodgdon p.....	ep Carpenter
Bullard g.....	g De Bussey

Score, Arlington H. S. 9. Goals, made by Hicks 2, Sloane 4, Clifford 3. Referee, Mrs. Umpire, Dickinson. Timer, Witmar. Time 20m and 15m periods.

**Basket Ball.**

Louis Stripp, the manager of the Institutes of Roxbury, would like to arrange matches with any Arlington or Lexington basket ball team.

The Lakeside basket ball team suffered its second defeat of the season on its own floor, Town Hall, Arlington, at the hands of the strong Central Y. M. C. A. team of Lowell, Thursday evening. The "Spindle City" aggregation won by a score of 31 to 20. The line-up:—

LOWELL Y. M. C. A.	CENTRALS.
CENTRALS.	LAKESIDE.
Myrick rf.....	lb Giles
Pearson lf.....	rb Kelley
Patrick c.....	ce Smith
O'Brien rb.....	lf Lusk
Wilson lb.....	rt Widell

Score, Lowell Y. M. C. A. Centrals. Lakeside, 20. Goals from floor, Widell 1, Lusk 2, Smith 6, Kelley 1, Wilson 3, O'Brien 1, Patrick 4, Pearson 4, Myrick 3. Goal from foul, Myrick. Referee, Crawford. Scorer, Higgins. Time 20m periods. Attendance 200.

**(Correspondence.)**

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and 5 p. m., of any school day of the school year. Mr. Scully comes to Arlington from having conducted, for some years, most successfully, one of the most important schools in Brooklyn. He is anxious to meet and confer with any citizen of Arlington regarding any subject even remotely connected with school interests. Whether or not you have, or think you have, a grievance, the superintendent is in touch with every school, every hour of the school day, and is desirous only, that the Arlington schools shall be models of the highest conception of public schools in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

WALTER A. ROBINSON, Secretary.

**ARLINGTON LOCALS.**

—Week of prayer was observed at the First Baptist church, this week, by two special services, besides the regular Friday evening meeting. The first service was held Monday afternoon in the chapel and was for the mothers and daughters of the church, followed on Tuesday evening by a service in which all members of the denomination were included.

—Tuesday evening the annual meeting and election of officers of the Lakeside club was held. The officers chosen were Fred W. Hicks, pres.; George Lennon, vice pres.; George White, sec.; Harold G. Hayes, treas.; Samuel Nickerson, Jas. Duff, Francis A. McConnell, Charles Kanyaly and Jas. Lutes, board of directors; Charles J. G. O. Riley sergeant-at-arms.

—The annual meeting of members of the Universalist church was held in the vestry of the church building last week Thursday. After the reports from the different officers and committees the election of officers and appointing of committees took place. Miss Abbie Russell for the twenty-seventh time was elected to the office of clerk. Other officers elected were treasurer, Miss Russell; deacons C. F. Coolidge and F. A. Horter. The induction of the deacons to office took place at the communion service Sunday morning.

—On the afternoon of the 5th, a well known laundry wagon that had been standing in front of the Young estate, on Pleasant street, turned around just as the Harris children of Brighton street, Belmont, were driving by in their pony cart. There was a collision, in which the cart was overturned and smashed and the children thrown out. The little boy received a cut on the forehead, but little Miss Harris, aged about fourteen, stood by and was self-possessed enough to take the name of the driver and do what many an older person would not have thought of. They were kindly cared for at the home of Mrs. H. L. Frost, 200 Pleasant street, and later driven to their home by the driver of the laundry team.

—A serious accident and one that may well be a warning to the average boy playing on our busy main thoroughfare, occurred Wednesday afternoon. Percy Levine, a lad about ten years of age residing with his parents at 89 Hibbard street, was stealing a ride on a passing team. The teamster drove the boy off, and the lad jumped and ran directly in front of one of the heavy Lexington & Boston electrics, which struck him and dashed him to one side. The accident happened near the junction of Mass. Ave. and Paul Revere road. Police ambulance was called and in it the victim was taken to Mass. General Hospital, where his injuries were found to consist of severe scalp wounds and the fracture of bone of the right leg above the knee. That the boy escaped being instantly killed is a wonder.

—Officers of Bethel Lodge elected at its annual meeting held Dec. 27th, were installed on Wednesday evening of this week by Dist. Deputy Alver J. Foster, of Crystal Font Lodge, Woburn, and suite. Guests were present from other lodges and, after the formal exercises, a spread of ices, cake and coffee was provided. The following is a list of officers installed:—

Noble Grand, Clarence H. Wilbur.
Vice Grand, Geo. E. Foster.
Rec. Sec'y, Chas. S. Richardson.
Finan. Sec'y, Chas. W. Bunker.
Treas., Nath'l E. Whittier.
Warden, Chas. E. Hadley.
Conductor, Willis B. Holbrook.
Inside Guardian, James E. Whitten.
Outside Guardian, Wm. A. Finley.
Chaplain, Wm. Gratto.
L. S. N. G., Frank E. Fogge.
R. S. N. G., Chas. H. Spaulding.
L. S. N. G., Wm. M. Peppard.
R. S. V. G., Don Fletcher.
L. S. V. G., Herbert S. Fogge.

—The first of three subscription dances under the management of Miss Alice W. Homer, took place in Associates Hall, Friday evening, Jan. 5th. Every one present had an enjoyable evening, although some familiar faces usually at these dances were missed, but it is expected that the next one will make up in numbers what this one lacked. Miss Homer has undertaken the management by request and her efforts to give her friends and others a good time should be generously supported. Carter's orchestra made the dance music delightful and the usual refreshments were served at intermission. Mrs. A. M. Walcott and Mrs. Harry Tyler Smith matronized the party and were also in great demand as partners in the dance. Mrs. Walcott wore a full toilette white point d'esprit patterned in a black lace and rose effect; Mrs. Smith was also in a decollete toilette of white chiffon trimmed with ruffles and touches of lace. Miss Newhall of Lynn, the fiancee of Dr. Sanger of Arlington, made a handsome appearance in a sequin and black net full toilette. Miss Helen Jackson, of Philadelphia, the fiancee of Mr. Howard Turner, was also remarked on for her appearance and was in a singular frock of black trimmed with blue iridescent sequins. Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Muller, Mr. H. A. Phinney, Dr. and Mrs. Cushing Mudge were the only representatives of the married set who usually attend these parties in goodly numbers.

—Last Sunday, at the Orthodox Cong' l church, a unique and interesting exercise took the place at the regular session of the Sunday school, at twelve o'clock. It was the graduation of thirty-one pupils from the primary department into the intermediate department that has just been inaugurated in the school. The exercises were the first ever held by the school and proved interesting to the large number present, which included the parents and friends of the pupils and filled the entire seating capacity of the vestry. For the past year the primary department, under the direction of its superintendent Miss Angelina Weeks, has been doing systematic as well as special home work, and the exercises on Sunday were a partial demonstration of what had been accomplished by them. Each graduate was required to learn the First Psalm, the Beatitudes, 23rd Psalm, Lord's Prayer, Commandments, Books of the Bible, and the 2 chapters of Luke,

8-14 verses before receiving a diploma. These different features were given by the graduates in classes and were interspersed with singing by the school, prayer by the new superintendent, Mr. A. E. Rowse, remarks by the pastor, Rev. S. C. Bushnell, and the awarding of the diplomas by Mr. A. C. Cobb, the retiring superintendent. Besides these awards, books were presented to twenty-four pupils for perfect attendance, and also to those only absent once. The following are the pupils who received diplomas:—

Katherine Read, Maude Gray, Louise Bodenstein, Alice Read, Katherine Viets, Helen Hill, Irene Irwin, Elizabeth Anderson, Lois Moore, Lucile Morse, Gladys Richardson, Mildred Moore, Elizabeth Waage, Hortense Argue, Helen Greene, Florence Whittemore, Mildred Greene, Laura Bodenstein, Harlan Egleth, Walter Frost, Howard Musgrave, Richard Sears, Dana Hardy, George Percy, Russell Doughty, Fred Campbell, Philip Bower, Willie Gordon, Harold Holt, Willie Sinclair, Robert Cook.

—The annual meeting of the parish of St. John's church was held on Tuesday evening. Reports of the Sunday school, the Woman's Guild, Woman's Missionary Auxiliary, Girls' Club, Boys' Club, etc., were given. Activity and progress were evident in every department. The rector stated that he had conducted 124 church services, preaching 85 sermons during the year. Of these one was preached in St. Anne's cathedral, Belfast, another in St. Columb's cathedral, Londonderry, Ireland, and another on board the S. S. Arabic, latitude 51.31 N. and longitude 18.40 West. He had held 60 meetings for the young, 41 with boys, 19 with children; given 7 public lectures; held 10 classes for candidates for confirmation; presiding at numerous business and social meetings, and superintending the Sunday school at every session. About 150 families are connected with the parish, including upwards of 425 baptized persons, of whom nearly 200 are communicants. The income of the Sunday school has been \$192 as against \$135 in 1904, and an average attendance of 99 has been maintained upon a roll of 158. Five scholars were baptized and 20 confirmed last year. The report of the parish treasurer showed all bills for the year paid, and about \$100 on hand. The parish house has been reshelved at an outlay \$100, and the heating and ventilation of the church improved at the cost of another \$100. The rector stated that the net proceeds of the recent fair were \$730 and that \$84, the nucleus of a building fund, was now in the bank. The vestry for the following year was elected as follows:—Wardens, Mr. F. H. Hubbard, Mr. Paul A. Bissell; clerk, Mr. W. D. Elwell; vestrymen, Messrs. D. Beattie, R. Burns, G. Chickering, W. Douglas, Robt. Lennon, W. H. Thorpe, W. Laufer, J. F. Scully, H. O. Yeames; treasurer, Mr. Paul A. Bissell.

**LEXINGTON NEWS ITEMS.**

—The officers of Independence Lodge, A. O. U. W., No. 45, will be installed on Jan. 23d. Dist. Deputy Messer, of Concord, will be the installing officer.

—There will be a supper and a social evening, with entertainment, in vestry of First Parish church on Thursday, Jan. 18, at 6.30. Admission 25.

—The Woman's Alliance holds its next meeting on Thursday, Jan. 18th, at three o'clock, in the parlor of the Unitarian church. Rev. John M. Wilson will give his second lecture on "The Life of Jesus." All interested are cordially invited.

—It is proposed to give a "Valentine Dance" in Town Hall, Wednesday evening, Feb. 14. The young ladies of the Unity Lenda-a-Hand will manage the party and will make every effort to make it a large and enjoyable meeting place of Lexington people.

—Mrs. F. E. Ballard, the president, presided at the meeting of the Alliance, in the vestry of the Unitarian church, Thursday afternoon, and introduced Mrs. Robert Davis, of New York, who spoke on "Alliance Work." Ladies were present from Bedford and Billerica and a pretty tea was served by Mrs. C. Doe, Miss Moody and Mrs. George O. Davis, Mrs. George F. Jones. Mrs. H. H. Putnam poured.

—Post 119 and Corps No. 97 gave a surprise party in honor of their recent golden wedding, on Monday evening at their home on Parker street. They did not go empty-handed and the couple, honored and enriched by their visit, feel deeply grateful to their friends and associates in the Grand Army for their kind thoughtfulness. A collation was provided and the occasion was a happy, fraternal one.

—Officer Palmer arrested Percy Baud, aged 15, and David Corbin aged 18, in East Lexington, charged with obtaining money under false pretenses. This was a second offense of this nature for one of the boys at least. In court on Thursday they plead guilty and were put on probation. The pretended they were from Concord and got stranded in Lexington with no money to get home and secured various sums of money from kind hearted people. Officers Irwin and Fletcher arrested John Monahan and Michael Ellis, charged with drunkenness. In court on Thursday the men were placed on probation.

—The officers of the Lexington Grange were installed with interesting ceremonies on Wednesday evening, in the Town Hall, the list being as follows:—

Master, Geo. S. Teague.
Overseer, Howard M. Munroe.
Lecturer, Arthur E. Horton.
Steward, Chas. E. Wheeler.
Asst. Steward, Howard C. Clark.
Chaplain, D. F. Hutchinson.
Treasurer, Everett S. Locke.
Secretary, Bertha E. Whitaker.
Gate Keeper, W. E. Doran.
Ceres, Sarah A. Cutler.
Pomona, Ada G. Hardy.
Flora, Etta E. Staples.
Lady Asst. Steward, Lizzie L. Stearns.
Ex. Com. for 3 years, Clarence H. Cutler.

—Among the other special features, Past-master Clarence H. Cutler was presented with a past-masters' jewel. The installing officer was Dist. Deputy Crosby, of Billerica. An appetizing spread and social closed the evening.

—Under the auspices of the Field and Garden Club, Mr. Lyman Underwood, of Belmont, appeared before an excellent audience of towns people and school children, in Town Hall, on Monday evening, and gave his lecture on the moth pests which have been despoiling eastern Massachusetts. He was pleasantly introduced by Frederick L. Emery, Esq., president of the club, and gave not only an instructive but an entertaining evening. Mr. Underwood's pictures of woodlands and estates were very beautiful and finely brought out by a powerful stereopticon outfit. He was fully conversant with the subject and made every one present

feel that they must be up and doing to check, as far as possible, the scourge of the gypsy and brown tailed moth. Mr. Underwood is a most effective speaker and wherever he speaks wins the closest attention as well as respect for his large fund of information.

—The Lexington Guild unites with the Bedford Guild, at Bedford, on Sunday evening, at 7 o'clock. Mr. Henry H. Putnam will address the Guild, the subject being "What is worth while." Cars leave Lexington center at 6.30 o'clock. A large attendance is desired of both old and young.

—President George L. Gilmore of the Golf Club, and perhaps a dozen golf enthusiasts, played over the course of the Lexington links last Saturday afternoon. Mr. Gilmore played 18 holes and reported the course all right although the afternoon closed rather abruptly with a sharp snow squall which sent the players to shelter.

—This (Saturday) evening, Jan. 13th, the Old Belfry Club gives its annual "Gentlemen's Night," under the head of a "Smoker." A "variety show" is announced, including as entertainers, Mr. Geo. B. Cutler, singing humorist, and the "Mexican Serenaders," who play a variety of musical instruments. It is expected it will be fine.

—Mr. George F. Mead, of Lexington, left on Sunday to attend the annual convention of the National League Commission Merchants held in Milwaukee, Jan. 10, 11, 12. Quite a delegation left Boston in a special car over the Boston & Albany road. A banquet was tendered the members as they passed through Chicago on Tuesday, at the Palmer House.

—The Men's Club of Hancock church had an auspicious inaugural at the church on Thursday evening, when Mr. E. P. Nichols was chosen president, E. P. Merriman and Dr. Tilton vice presidents, A. L. Blodgett secretary, George W. Spaulding treasurer and F. E. Clark 2d, auditor. There were fifty present to partake of the nice supper served by caterer Hardy, with Everett Emery as chairman of the committee in charge. Mr. Nichols presided at the exercises which followed and were introduced with one of his bright and appropriate addresses. Rev. S. C. Bushnell, of Arlington, was the speaker and gave an absorbingly interesting account of his father's building of the "Monitor," the little gun boat that revolutionized the world's navies and saved the Union's naval supremacy in the civil war. A letter describing the battle with the Merrimac, written by a midshipman, afforded a most graphic account. A constitution for organization was presented after the literary exercises and the business of the meeting successfully discharged.

—The first meeting of the new year held by the Colonial Club, one of our youngest as well as most energetic organizations, was celebrated as "guest night," a dinner being given at the home of the president, Mrs. Wm. C. Stickel, 77 Bedford road, at seven o'clock, Monday evening, Jan. 8. Miss Marjory Houghton and Miss Ruth Gallopp assisting the hostess in serving. Covers were laid for twenty-one. The table, loaded with viands and beautifully decorated with flowers, appealed both to the inner and the outer man. At the close of the banquet, the president, as toast mistress, in a few well-chosen words, introduced the several speakers, who responded to the following in a pleasing manner:—

"All was Light," Mr. Charles A. Miles; "Liberty in Massachusetts," Miss E. Whitaker; "Our Country," Mr. Wm. C. Stickel; "Our New Member," Mr. Lister; "The Gentleman," Miss Lizzie Roberts; "The Ladies," Mrs. Frank Clarke and Frank Harlow; "A Daughter of the Revolution," Mrs. J. Dodge; "The Animal Kingdom," Mr. G. L. Walker.

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